

What motivates you in your work or practice? What kinds of things are important in gaining esteem within your work or practice? How could this project help you personally and professionally?

How can everyone in this team gain something meaningful from this project?

Is there a normal rhythm to your time? When are the crunch points in your diary? When do you have more capacity? How much freedom do you have over your own use of time? What is the sense of timescale that you normally work with? How much notice do you need from your fellow collaborators?

How much time can you give to this project?

What does research mean to you? What does ethical research mean in your world? What are your processes? How do you go about doing your work? What can research do in my world? How important to you is capturing the processes of research? Is lived experience important to this research?

How are we going to do the research?

What is the context you work in? What benefits could this project bring your sector? What is valued? In the context of this project, what constraints or influences you? What are the pressures, expectations and opportunities particular to your area of work? What boundaries do you want to explore?

How can our organisations / sectors gain something meaningful for this?

How will you try to work together in an equitable fashion?

Is 'research' a core activity within the organisation or sector you work in or your role? Do you need funding to get involved in 'research'? What does equity mean to you in a project? What power do you think you have? Can power also be a weakness? What are you a gatekeeper to? What do you have access to? What are the power dynamics in your world?